red to the accuracy with which the late Mr. Hassler had executed the work whilst under his superintendence.

The list of the surviving members of the Society, upon the 1st January last, was read, from which it appeared that the number was 351; of whom 244 are resident in the United States, and 107 in foreign countries. The deaths reported in 1844 are 12.

Dr. Elwyn announced the death of M. Jules de Wallenstein, late Russian Consul at Rio Janeiro, and a member of this Society.

Mr. Ord stated that Dr. Griffith had made an index to Ferussac's great work on molluscous animals;—and on motion, the thanks of the Society were directed to be presented to Dr. Griffith, for having prepared the same.

On motion of Mr. Kane, it was resolved, that the whole subject, referred to in the letter of Mr. Price read this evening, be referred to the Committee of Finance, in connexion with the Treasurer, with power to take order.

## Special Meeting, February 14.

Present, twenty-six members.

Dr. BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The Presiding Officer stated that he had called the Special Meeting in consequence of a Communication, addressed to him as Vice-President, by a Committee of the Athenæum, and proposing to this Society to join with the Athenæum in erecting a new building, to accommodate both Societies, upon the lot occupied by the present building.

A Committee of Five were appointed to meet the Committee of the Athenæum, and confer with them on the proposition contained in their letter, and to report hereafter to the Society the result of such conference.

The Committee are Dr. Patterson, Mr. Ord, Mr. Smith, Mr. Lea, and Mr. Justice.